

F-15s to be modified for Kingdom's needs

TAIF, Aug. 27 (SPA) — Defense Minister Prince Sultan indicated that the United States agreed to provide additional equipment for the 60 F-15 fighters sold to Saudi Arabia. He told reporters here that "this is a foregone conclusion, and as I said before we do not make requests that are denied to us."



Prince Sultan

prayer times

Thursday	Mecca	Medina	Nejd
Fajr	4:49	4:46	4:17
Ishraq	6:08	6:03	5:39
Dhuhr	12:29	12:30	12:00
Asr	3:53	3:58	3:27
Maghreb	6:43	6:47	6:16
Isha	8:13	8:17	7:46

WEATHER

Normal summery weather will prevail in most areas. It may be moderate in the north-western region. Skies will be partly cloudy in the western and south-western highlands, bringing possible thunderstorms.

Winds will be northerly and moderate. They may become active, causing sand haze in the northern region and inland areas.

Seas will be moderate to medium. Wednesday's temperatures (maximum, minimum in centigrade)

Mecca	41	25
Jeddah	36	26
Riyadh	43	27
Dhahran	43	28
Medina	43	29
Taif	37	26
Jizan	32	29
Qassim	41	24
Hail	36	20
Tabuk	38	22
Jubail	—	—
Abha	32	14

Referring to objections by Israel and its supporters in Washington to the Saudi Arabian request, Prince Sultan said "we shall not allow our enemies to obstruct our requests." He made his statement during a brief encounter with reporters covering an Arab interior ministers conference in the city.

U.S. officials said last June that Saudi Arabia sought fuel pods and multiple ejection racks that would permit much larger bomb loads on the F-15. The pods would extend the two-way range of the plane from 450 miles to more than 1,000 miles.

Prince Sultan said the government was carefully studying a plan to introduce the draft. "It is being studied with care so that we may be sure of the benefits of the decision," he said. The draft proposal was revealed two years ago.

About Crown Prince Fahd's call for jihad to liberate Jerusalem and other occupied Arab territories, Prince Sultan said jihad was the aim of peace and stability "if the Muslims cannot regain their lost rights by peaceful means." Jihad, as it is well known, involves sacrifice and struggle in defense of our religion, our people and our holy places," he said.

"If the Muslims cannot achieve their objectives by peaceful means which we seek, then jihad will be resorted to," he added.

Desalination bids to be taken by ministry

TAIF, Aug. 27 (SPA) — Companies' bids for the study and design of Mecca's desalination plant will be received next week. Minister of Agriculture and Water, Dr. Abdul Rahman Al-Sheikh said.

Dr. Al-Sheikh, who is also the head of the Saline Water Conversion Corporation, added that the money for the study and plans has already been earmarked in this year's budget as instructed by King Khaled and Crown Prince Fahd.

Pollution talks slated

JEDDAH, Aug. 27 (SPA) — Environment and Law experts from countries bordering on the Red Sea and the Gulf of Aden will meet here in mid October to discuss air and water pollution.

Dr. Hassan Hajra, deputy mayor of Jeddah, said that the experts will deal mainly with protection of their countries' coasts from pollution, the preservation of sea life and the exchange of relevant information regarding the Red Sea.

The eight countries taking part in the meeting will be the Kingdom, Jordan, Palestine, Somalia, North and South Yemen, Sudan and Djibouti.



DELEGATION : A South Korean delegation representing business, cultural and press associations left Jeddah Wednesday after a one-week visit to the Kingdom. Picture shows the Korean Ambassador Chang Yie Joon, second from left, and Sheikh Ismail Abudawood, president of the Jeddah Chamber of Commerce and Industry at a farewell reception at the Sheraton Tuesday for the delegation.

(Photo by Nagi)

Vocational school graduates 156

DAMMAM, Aug. 27 (SPA) — A total of 156 persons graduated from the commercial and industrial divisions of the Dammam Vocational Training Center's sixth training course in 1979/80.

The director of the center Abdul Latif Al-Arfaj said the 47 graduates of the commercial section have already been given jobs in firms and banks through the labor office. The 109 graduates of the industrial section have been sent to vocational training center for additional instruction, he added.

The next course will start on Sept. 23 and the last date for receiving applications will be September 20, the official said.

Applicants will have to be Saudi Arabian between 14-18 years of age. If admitted they will be housed and receive a monthly salary of SR520, including 120 as subsistence allowance.

The director of the center also said that five new units have been delivered and will be devoted to commercial training; they will be furnished and ready by the next course.

comment

By Muhammad Omar Al-Amoudi
Al-Medina

Newspapers publish advertisements inviting the public to take shares in the establishment of a company that is generally known as a joint stock company.

If we go back to the company rules, which were issued by Decree No. M/6 dated 12/3/1385H, we will find the correct picture of shareholding explained in 100 articles, most significant of them being:

(1) A joint stock company cannot be established unless permission is awarded through a royal decree, issued on the basis of approval by the Council of Ministers on the Commerce Minister's recommendation.

(2) In case the public is invited for shareholding, it must be done through the banks appointed by the Minister of Commerce.

(3) The agreement must be in writing, containing the names of the parties, the purpose of establishing the company, its

capital and number of shares as well the company's period and its location.

The purpose of these measures and conditions was to protect the interests of shareholders. But you don't find a correct application of these measures in the matter of real estate companies. These are set up at the whim of their owners, inviting the public to buy shares in disregard of the general rules. They get the value of shares without committing themselves to any measures to protect the citizen. These companies are even formed without any agreement or founding members.

Such an absolute freedom might tend to forgery and encourage people to advertise fake property. In the presence of company rules and regulations, this seems to be no sense in giving freedom of work to such a business. The public, therefore, is in doubt about the role of the Ministry of Commerce which is the proper authority in the matter of ensuring application of the company rules.

SR25,000 maximum

Asir governor regulates dowries

By a Staff Writer

ASIR, Aug. 27 — Asir Governor Prince Khaled Al Faisal has taken new measures to curb the spiraling cost of marriage in the Southern Province by restricting dowry costs paid by the groom to his bride.

In a directive to tribal sheiks and community elders, Prince Khaled said SR25,000 is the maximum that should be requested by the bride's parents. Anything more than that would be unfair, he said.

Complaints of the rising cost of marriage have been voiced from various parts of the country. Not only dowries have risen in rural areas, to more than SR100,000 a bride, at times but the cost of the feast and related parties have increased in the last few years. Coupled with the rising cost of accommodation, the cost of marriage has deterred many young men from tying the knot.

Attempts to regulate the bridal dowry have so far failed despite the rare gestures made by fathers refusing to take dowries for their daughters to help their future sons-in-law make a start in life without debts and tears. But the gesture has not caught on yet, even if dowries are cut down to a certain "max-

imum" there will be no way of curtailing the cost of feasting, gifts and parties that are considered necessary to make a big bang in the neighborhood.

Prince Khaled's directive was reported to the chiefs and leaders of Asir and is said to have been well received by the many eligible bachelors of the province. Many have refrained from wedlock because of the amount for dowries requested by parents. A youth, 20, had to chip in SR50,000 in cash for his bride, in addition to providing furnished accommodation. This is considered a modest outlay by comparison with the more flamboyant grooms who can afford much more and throw more glamorous parties at expensive hotels in the main cities at more than SR100,000 abash.

But the trend towards more manageable marriages can be noticed and the fact that a senior official and prominent governor like Prince Khaled has gone as far as regulating dowries, may just have been the antidote to exorbitant amounts that have frustrated many a potential groom. It is possible that other governors may follow suit while more parents encourage the trend by seeking more moderate dowries.

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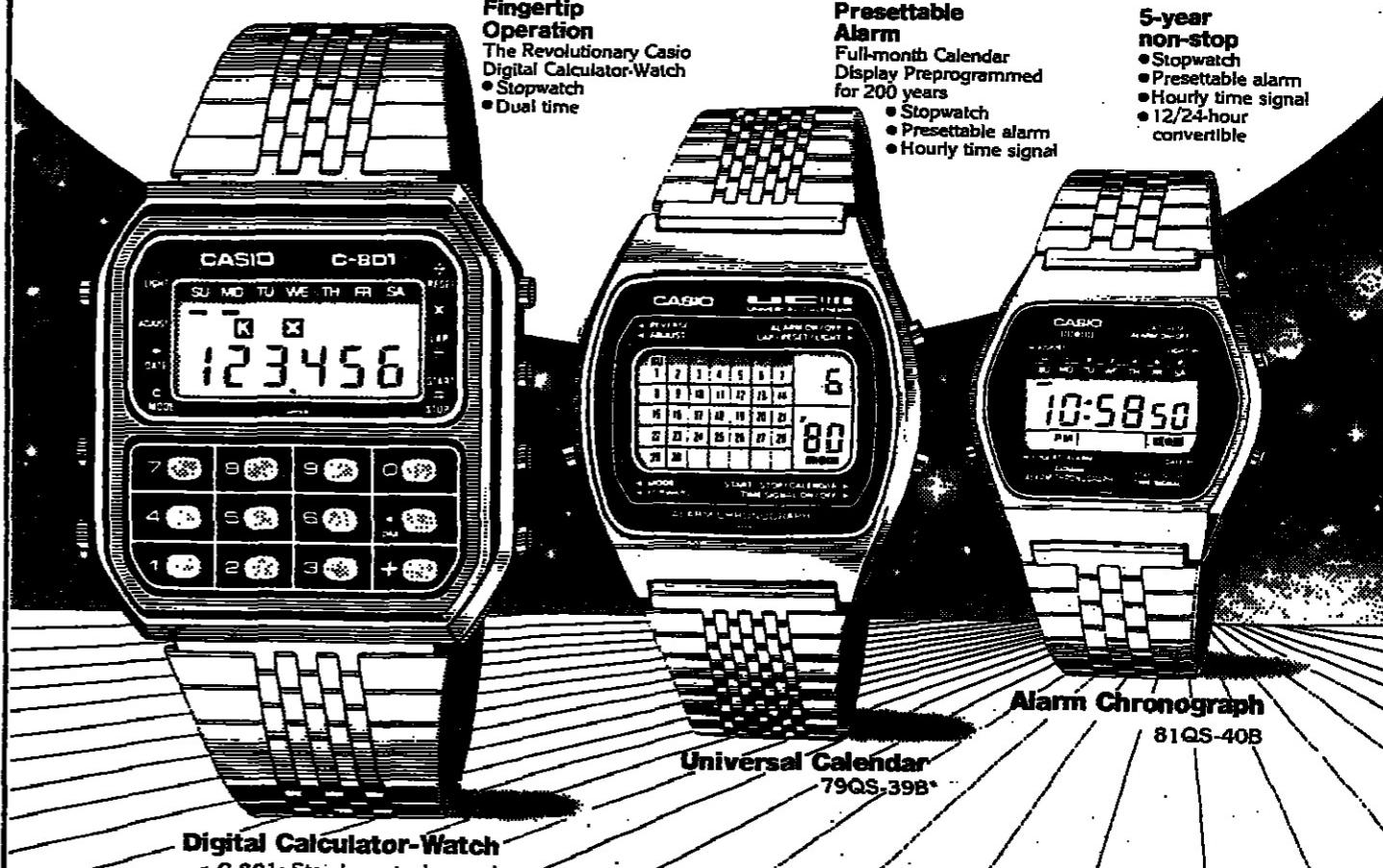
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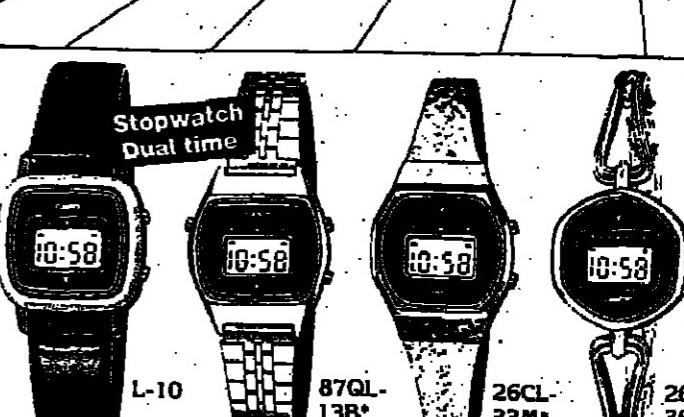
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ELF talks on autonomy

Syria, Ethiopia to restore ties

ADDIS ABABA, Aug. 27 (R) — Ethiopia and Syria, whose relations have been soured for years have agreed to establish diplomatic relations at ambassadorial level, it was announced.

A joint communique issued here and Damascus Tuesday at the end of a five-day visit to Syria by Ethiopian Foreign Minister Feleke Gashie Giorgis said both countries "expressed their determination to develop

relations to the mutual benefit of their peoples and agreed to establish diplomatic relations at ambassadorial level."

Both agreed "to strictly observe the principles of sovereignty, territorial integrity and non-interference in the domestic affairs of each other."

The two countries called for the immediate dismantlement of "imperialist military

bases" at the British Indian Ocean Atoll of Diego Garcia and the Somali Port of Berbera where the Somali government has just granted increased access to military facilities to the United States. The targets of forces in these places were Ethiopia and South Yemen, the communiqué said.

Diplomatic sources in Nairobi said that as Syria had long been one of the principal foreign suppliers of the Eritrean Liberation Front (ELF), the agreement to establish diplomatic relations between the two countries indicated progress in efforts by Ethiopia and its ally the Soviet Union to negotiate a settlement in Eritrea with the ELF.

They said recent reports from Eritrea, where secessionist groups have fought for the independence of the former Italian colony for almost 19 years, showed increasing clashes between the forces of the ELF and the Eritrean People's Liberation Front (EPLF).

(The Addis Ababa government appeared now to be seeking an agreement with the ELF and ready to discuss regional autonomy to Eritrea rather than the full independence still demanded by the EPLF.)

The Ethiopian delegation held talks with Syrian President Hafez Assad, Deputy Premier and Foreign Minister Abdul Halim Khaddam and other senior officials.

Meanwhile, the Libyan Jamahiriya has attacked the recent agreement for United States forces to use the base in Somalia as a threat to Arab and African countries, the Libyan News Agency JANA said Tuesday.

Jana quoted a statement issued by the foreign ministry Monday as saying Somalia's initialling of an agreement to let U.S. forces use Berbera Base was a flagrant violation of the Arab League charter.

The agreement was "a direct and serious threat to the security and sovereignty of Arab and African States" it added.

The statement said the United States' aim was to "control the Arab homeland's vital arteries, dominate the African continent and act as custodian over people in the region."

Gelb said Congress ought to insist that the United States publicly declare that it will terminate military aid to the Somalis if they send regular troops to the Ogaden.

Gelb said that "in the past, when other U.S. aid recipients have invaded neighbors situations, we've only said, stop it. That has never worked."

Gelb also pointed out that the facilities agreement might not be with much in a crisis.

If Somalia disagreed with U.S. actions in the crisis, it could deny access to the ports and airfields.

For that reason, the United States has concluded similar facilities agreements with two other countries in the area, Kenya and Oman.

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Senator claims

Carter allows Billy to meet Libyan aide at White House

WASHINGTON, Aug. 27 (Agencies) — An investigating U.S. senator said Tuesday that he believes President Jimmy Carter allowed his brother Billy to set up a White House meeting with a Libyan official to help Billy's Libyan ties. Sen. Richard Lugar said he believes the president considered the meeting harmless and wanted, out of compassion, to help Billy cement some sort of trade deal with Libya.

Billy Carter denied at a Senate hearing last week that Libya ever asked him to try to influence U.S. policy for them or that he ever did.

Lugar, a member of the special Senate judiciary subcommittee investigating Billy Carter, suggested his theory at the hearing last week and expanded on it at a news conference Tuesday.

"Although I feel this was a misuse of the foreign policy apparatus by the president, there's a mixed motivation involved here," Lugar said. "Billy Carter testified that his affairs at the warehouse and life generally were tragic after the election of the president."

Lugar said he believes that is why the president had Billy Carter set up a meeting last November between the president's national security adviser, Zbigniew Brzezinski, and Libya's U.S. emissary, Ali A. Khoudari.

The purpose of the meeting was to ask Libyan aid in efforts to free the U.S. hostages in Iran, but Lugar said the president surely knew that Libya could not help free the hostages.

"I believe the president is a compassionate

BRIEFS

KUWAIT, Aug. 27 (AP) — The director general of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) Jacques de la Rosiere, conferred here Tuesday with the ruler of this oil-rich Arab state. Sheikh Jaber Ahmad Al Sabah.

Rosiere who arrived here Tuesday night on the first stop of a Gulf tour also held talks with Finance Minister Abdul Rahman Salem Al Ajou.

TEL AVIV, (AP) — Israel's Deputy Defense Minister said Tuesday that Israeli Air Force planes would continue flying reconnaissance missions over southern Lebanon and warned Syria against interfering. Mordchai Zippori told a radio interview that since Palestinian guerrillas in Lebanon were planning attacks on Israel, we must maintain control of south Lebanon and

always know what is happening there. Therefore we will continue our reconnaissance patrols."

DACCA, (R) — Monsoon floods have so far claimed 200 lives in 12 affected northwestern districts of Bangladesh, the official news agency said Tuesday night. The agency said the situation in most districts was gradually easing as flood waters fell slowly. But in Dacca district more areas were inundated during past 24 hours.

ABU DHABI, United Arab Emirates (AP) — A U.A.E. airforce jet fighter crashed here Tuesday during a routine training flight, but the pilot bailed out safely, a military communiqué said. The type of the war plane was not mentioned, but it was believed to be a French-built Mirage.

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Lawyers boycott court

Hostess kidnaps pilot; 7 PIA flights canceled

ISLAMABAD, Aug. 27 (AFP) — Seven domestic and international flights were canceled Wednesday when Pakistani pilots went on strike over the alleged kidnapping of a fellow pilot by an airline hostess who was angry at his "misbehaving." The incident started when the hostess, who had quarreled with the co-pilot on a domestic flight from Islamabad to Multan on Sunday, was forced to leave the flight in Lahore.

The outraged hostess thereupon allegedly kidnapped the pilot Tuesday from his residence in Rawalpindi with the help of colleagues. The pilot was whisked away in a car to an unknown place where his head was shaved, a spokesman for the striking pilots said.

In protest at the incident, pilots of all Pakistan International Airlines (PIA) Fokker flights originating from Islamabad airport called in "sick" Wednesday, the spokesman said. However, Boeing and DC-10 flights on PIA domestic and international routes continued, he said.

The hostess and the pilot have been suspended, effective immediately, and the case has been handed over to martial law

authorities who will try them summarily in a military court Thursday, the spokesman added.

Meanwhile, in Karachi, Pakistani lawyers boycotted the city court Wednesday and demanded the immediate release of 10 lawyers arrested during a protest march against the military regime last week.

The lawyers had clashed with police who used teargas and sticks to break up their demonstration here Aug. 21. Ten lawyers were arrested and three were admitted to hospital after the clash. The lawyers risk long prison sentences if convicted.

All political activity, including protest demonstrations and processions, is strictly prohibited under the martial law implemented throughout Pakistan last October.

A general body meeting of the Karachi Bar Association, chaired by its President Kabir Uddin Khan, Wednesday meanwhile reaffirmed the legal fraternity's determination to continue the struggle for the restoration of human rights, rule of law and democracy in the country.

WHO sought to help Jordan fight Bilharzia

AMMAN, Aug. 27 (R) — Jordan is enlisting the help of the World Health Organization (WHO) to fight Bilharzia recently discovered among foreign laborers, according to health ministry under secretary Rizk Rashdan.

He said that as Bilharzia existed in some neighboring countries like Egypt, and in Pakistan and India laborers who come from those countries to work in the fertile Jordan valley were being subjected to on-the-spot intensive medical tests.

With a big proportion of Jordan's labor force working in Saudi Arabia and the Gulf states, this desert country here irrigation works are in progress turned to poorer countries for replacements.

Rashdan said that medical check-ups had already proved that 18 per cent of the imported workers had the disease and were being treated before allowing them to approach irrigation water in the valley.

He made it clear that tests were being conducted by special units in the Ghor valley on laborers seeking work there. Those who arrive in Amman and other cities and towns constitute no danger and are not subjected to the tests, he added.

Bilharzia snails can only germinate in water which spreads the disease and the health ministry here has already eradicated all snails in the waters of the Greco-Roman city of Jerash, in Zerka river which feeds the King Talal Dam and in other canals which carry water to other areas.

Rashdan said that Bilharzia experts from the United States marines had also visited the country on several occasions to help train Jordanians combatting the disease. Such experts can also be called in at any time, he added.

The disease, however does not worry Jordan.

"Counter-measures already taken have proved to be very effective and the spread of the disease is out of the question" Rashdan said.

Jews start wave of strikes in Israel's immigrant sites

TEL AVIV, Aug. 27 (AFP) — Soviet Jews have launched a wave of strikes in Israel's immigrant centers to protest the government's delay in providing them with permanent housing and jobs.

The strikes, which are spreading rapidly through the centers, have taken the form of refusal to attend the intensive Hebrew language courses offered to them or to deal with integration ministry officials.

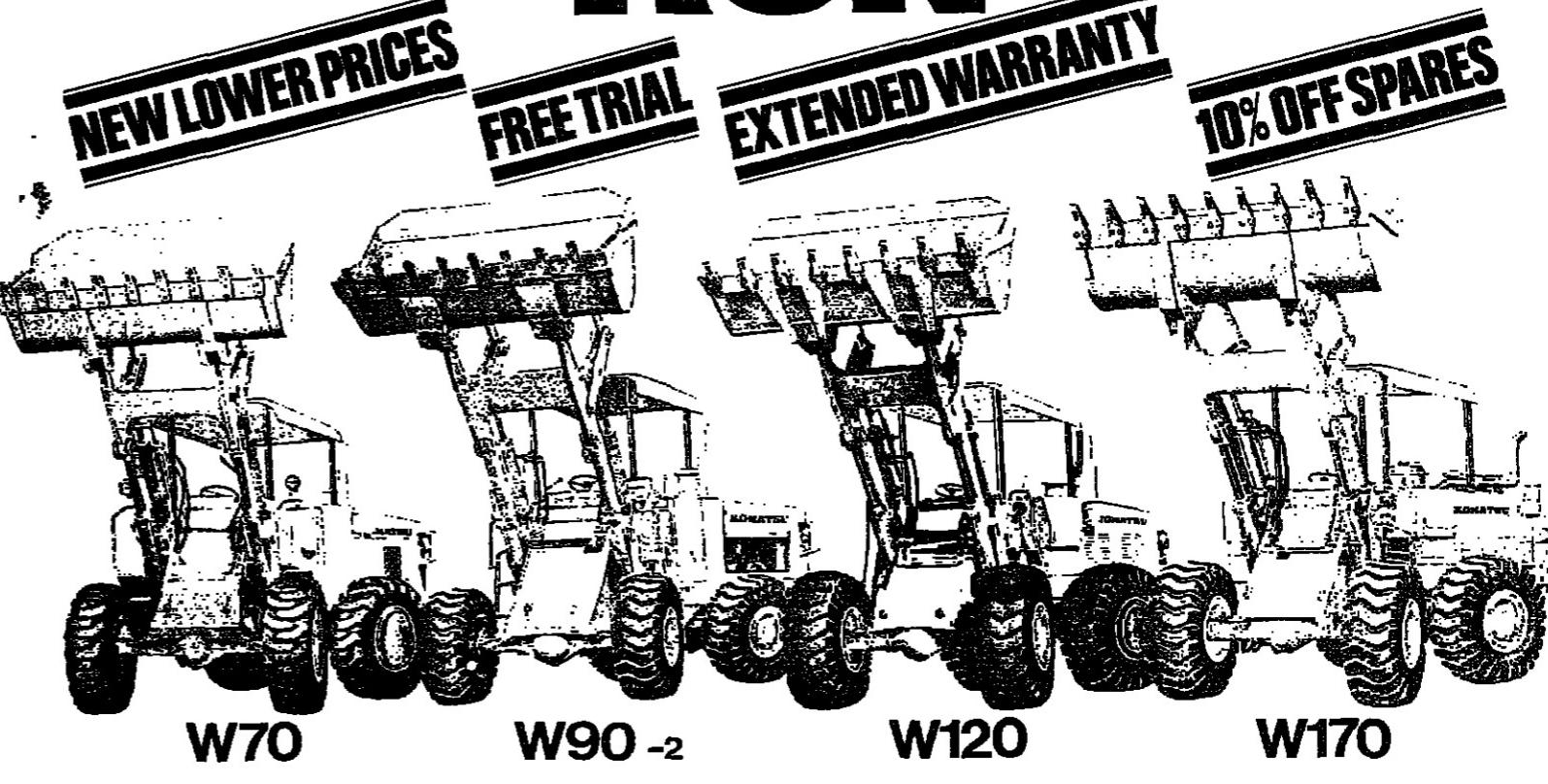
Lodged for periods of up to 15 months in

hotels or residential buildings, the Soviet immigrants are fed given pocket money until they find work and are assigned apartments.

Their porters have irritated many Israelis, however, and particularly the neighbors of the integration centers. In television interviews Tuesday night, for example, some Israelis complained that dozens of luxury cars — imported duty-free — could be seen parked outside the centers.

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Train crash fatal to 15 in Mexico

MEXICALI, Mexico, Aug. 27 (AP) — At least 15 people were killed Tuesday when a passenger train collided with a handcar and derailed south of this northern Baja California city. Mexican authorities said.

Another 75 people reportedly were injured when the train, bound for Mexico City from Mexicali, collided with a railroad maintenance handcar in early afternoon.

Rescuers worked into the night to free people trapped inside the train, which was believed to be carrying about 600 people. The accident occurred southeast of Mexicali in desert country. Mexicali is just across the border from Calexico, California.

A Red Cross spokesman said he had an unconfirmed report that a number of American and West German citizens might have

Gas trick gets 3 to Cuba

MIAMI, Aug. 27 (AP) — Three Spanish-speaking men hijacked an Eastern Airlines jet to Cuba Tuesday night after terrifying the 341 people aboard by splashing what appeared to be gasoline around the cabin and then lighting matches, officials said.

The hijacking came 10 days after federal officials announced that armed marshals would take to the air to ward off potential hijackers. It was the seventh case of air piracy in two weeks.

The hijackers were taken from the plane in Havana, passengers said, and the plane made it safely to Miami Wednesday morning.

FBI agent Bill Nettles said "the possibility is pretty good" that the hijackers were Cubans. Several of the recent hijackings were

Curfew clamped on Indian town

NEW DELHI, Aug. 27 (API) — At least fifty people were wounded in violent incidents in the eastern Indian town of Margherita where authorities ordered an indefinite curfew, the United News of India reported Wednesday.

In one incident, UNI said 34 people were injured in assaults by crowds while 10 others were wounded in a bomb explosion. Six people were also stabbed. The news agency reported that three stores were set ablaze by rioting mobs and a government-owned bus damaged in stoning.

The government-run All India Radio said the trouble erupted after two groups of students clashed over attempts to reopen schools and educational institutions.

One group opposed the move while the other supported it.

been aboard the high-speed express train. But this could not be immediately confirmed by police or other authorities.

The train, known in Spanish slang as a "Ball" or "bullet" because of its high speed, derailed about noon near the town of Puebla on its way to the central Mexican city of Guadalajara.

Mexicali Police Chief Alberto Delgado said in a telephone interview one of the dead was a foreigner, but the victim was not immediately identified. "Five of the injured also appear to be foreigners, but we are not sure yet what their nationality is," he said. Delgado said two little children, included among the 15 dead, were still trapped in the train wreck "but because of the darkness their bodies will not be retrieved until Wednesday morning."

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CORN CAMPAIGN: Independent U.S. presidential candidate John Anderson talks about corn insect problems with an Iowa farmer. Anderson recently spent two days in the largely agricultural state.

Reporters to see Hua resignation

PEKING, Aug. 27 (AFP) — For the first time in over 20 years, top-ranking diplomats and foreign journalists will be allowed to attend some sessions of the National People's Congress (NPC), which will convene here on Saturday and will hear Chairman Hua Guofeng announce his resignation as prime minister.

NPC Secretary-General Zeng Tao told a press conference here on Tuesday that the two-week sitting of this highest organ of state power would be "of great significance" and would take up "some major issues of our country."

Zeng, who is also director of the official New China News Agency (NCNA), said ambassadors and correspondents would be admitted to the opening and closing sessions and two others. It would be the first time since 1960 that diplomats and journalists would be in the gallery.

Among the subjects to be discussed at the congress will be "major changes" in the composition of the Commission for State Affairs (government) and of the NPC's standing committee, Zeng said.

The plane left Havana about 3 hours later and finally reached Miami at 0825 GMT. It was the first hijacking since an announcement that armed federal marshals would ride on selected commercial flights.

Join Canada team

Hockey players defect

MONTREAL, Aug. 27 (R) — Two Czechoslovak ice hockey internationals have defected to Canada in an operation organized by a Quebec hockey club.

Brothers Peter and Anton Stastny signed six-year contracts with the club, the Quebec Nordiques. Tuesday, a day after arriving on special entry permits, Gilles Leger, the club's director of player development, told a press conference the defections were prepared at length. "We took enormous risks," he said, but he did not give details.

Peter, 24, and Anton, 21, applied for political asylum at the Canadian Embassy in Vienna after leaving their team, Slovan Bratislava, at the European Ice Hockey Cup Tournament in Innsbruck.

Cossiga coalition faces new test

ROME, Aug. 27 (R) — Prime Minister Francesco Cossiga's coalition government Wednesday confidently pressed forward with its economic program, expecting to win a vote of confidence and to remain in power at least for the rest of 1980.

The Christian Democratic prime minister called for the procedural vote of confidence to reject charges by neo-Fascist members of the Chamber of Deputies that his program was unconstitutional.

His coalition, also including Socialists and Republicans, then faces some 1,400 amendments by obstructionist deputies but Cossiga said he was determined to push the plans through in one way or another. The plans call for tax increases and speedier tax-gathering to slow down Italy's 20 per cent inflation and

Anton said they kept their planned departure secret. "We didn't tell anyone we were leaving. That would be too dangerous," he said.

Leger said the Nordiques had wanted to sign a third brother, Marian, 27, but he had three children and decided he could not leave Czechoslovakia.

Two officials of the Nordiques, a National Hockey League club based in Quebec City, brought the brothers and Peter's wife Darina from Austria to Canada. Anton is single.

Immigration officials in Ottawa said they were granted special entry permits without the normal delay in getting visas because of their prominence and because they had already been offered jobs.

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Cossiga's coalition, which enjoys a substantial majority in the Chamber and the Senate, was given a big boost Wednesday by Socialist Party secretary Bettino Craxi.

The Socialist leader said the government, which has been criticized by some Socialist cabinet ministers for being lackluster and has been steadily attacked by the opposition Communist coalition must hold firm. People who promoted a crisis now would be throwing gasoline onto a fire, he said, and the Socialists would oppose them.

"Those under attack can do nothing else than hold firm and carry out their pledges and duty to the country," he said.

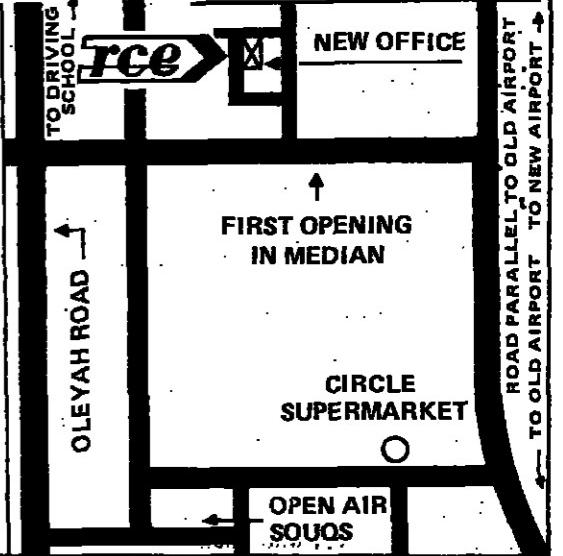
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Home to Yugoslavia Lipizzan stallions celebrate birthday

VIENNA, Aug. 27 (AP) — The Lipizza white horses of Vienna's famed Spanish Riding School have been brought back to their birthplace, the Yugoslav village of Lipica, to celebrate the school's 400th anniversary. It is the first time they have returned to Lipica, a small village in Slovenia, since 1920.

A giant festival will be held here until mid-September to commemorate the year 1580 when Emperor Charles II of Austria brought to Lipica — then Austrian — the first Andalusian horses from which have been bred the famous Lipizzans, noted for their grace, strength and intelligence.

The arid Karst region was cultivated and trees were planted so that the imperial stables could breed horses noted for their ability to be trained in classical dressage (riding techniques), including dancing. Teaching this kind of dressage takes several years, and only an exceptionally robust horse can survive this severe training.

Dog's lung replaced

PEKING, Aug. 27 (AP) — A Peking surgeon, who last year became the first Chinese doctor to undertake a human lung transplant, has carried out the same operation on a dog, which subsequently survived more than a year, *The People's Daily* reported.

The dog reportedly survived 390 days. Another dog on which Dr. Xin Yulin performed a similar operation is still alive after 122 days.

The paper said that on two occasions last year, Xin transplanted a lung on a man. In both cases, the transplanted organ had to be removed after signs of rejection developed.

Pardons old foes

Notorious Ne Win mingles

RANGOON, Aug. 27 (LAT) — The modest bungalow on a lane off good life road is spic and span inside and out. Among other things, it is newly painted — black with white trim on the window frame — a noteworthy development in a city that has seen little fresh paint in 18 years.

The renovation was done at the orders of Burma's President Ne Win. The only thing missing is the man who used to live there, U Nu, independent Burma's first leader and the only surviving founder of the Third World's non-aligned movement.

Now 73 and largely forgotten, U Nu returned to Burma July 29 after 11 years in exile. During those years, he did his best to overthrow the man who really invited him back under a general amnesty that "forgave" political dissidents and halved Burma's prison population.

Instead of being taken to his home, U Nu has been put up at 20 Inya Road, in Rangoon's most exclusive neighborhood. The house at No. 20, one of several occupied by Burma's military elite, belongs to the military intelligence service.

Visitors are barred by two guards in a sentry box at the gate. They are answerable to Brig. Gen. Tin U., military assistant to the president, and after him the most powerful and most feared man in Burma. It was Tin U., former chief of the National Intelligence Bureau, who engineered U Nu's return from exile in India.

Government officials and members of U Nu's family are vague as to how long U Nu will be a guest of the government. Perhaps two or three months, it is suggested.

In a written reply to a reporter's written question, U Nu said he was in the "guest house" because "my house is not yet ready."

Diplomatic sources guessed that the former prime minister's house will be ready when Ne Win is convinced that it is politically safe to let him move about. U Nu writes that he is "too old" for politics and will devote himself to translating Buddhist scriptures into English, a task that could take 10 years by his reckoning.

U Nu may be finished politically, but there is every indication that many Burmese still regard him with deep affection. A 17-year-old boy who spoke glowingly of the "good old days" before Ne Win ousted U Nu in a bloodless coup in 1962 was reminded that he was not even alive then.

"I know," he said, "but my parents have told me all about it. Those were wonderful days."

A middle-age taxi driver, at the wheel of an asthmatic, 35-year-old Chevrolet, was more explicit.

"Before 1962, Burma was very good country," he said. "Since 1962, Burma is very bad country."

In Rangoon, where the streets are deserted, by 9 p.m. there is not much to do, there is endless speculation as to Ne Win's motives in bringing home his old rival and other dissidents.

One explanation is that at 70 Ne Win is experiencing intimations of mortality and, aware that he is not the most popular man in Burma, would like to assure himself a positive place in history by embracing a policy of national reconciliation.

Another explanation is that he simply wants to earn merit with Buddha for his next incarnation. But in this connection a critic of Ne Win remarked: "Ne Win is many things, but he has never been a religious man."

A hard-drinking soldier-political who has been married six times — twice to his present wife — Ne Win has not been a model of Buddhist decorum. Nevertheless, diplomats say, it is reasonable to assume that he has mellowed to a point where he is ready to forgive and forget, although whether his former adversaries are ready to forgive him for throwing them into jail and wrecking their lives is another matter.

In any event, a human desire for reconciliation probably explains in part why Ne Win has invited his old political foes to a series of luncheon get-togethers and an exchange of revolutionary reminiscences.

Thus far, according to an official government announcement, Ne Win's amnesty,

During the Napoleonic wars at the beginning of the 19th century, the white horses of Lipica had to leave their imperial stables several times to be integrated into other imperial Habsburg stables.

The Lipizzans only returned to their home stables in 1815, accompanied by the descendants of the stallions "Pluto" and "Conversano" — the ancestors of the two main branches of Vienna's white horses. They were to stay for another century.

Almost 100 years later to the day, in 1915, when Italy entered World War I, the Lipizzans were sent once more into exile. Some were taken to Laenburg, near Vienna, and the rest were sent to Kladrub in Bohemia.

As a direct result of the defeat of the Austro Hungarian empire in World War I, 179 Lipizzans were divided between the new republics of Austria and Italy on June 10, 1919.

Then on Nov. 20, 1920, a few days before the Treaty of Rapallo bestowed a part of Slovenia to Italy, 97 Lipizzans were installed in stables at Piber, in Austrian Styria. Geographical conditions there were similar to those of the Karst region.

During World War II, between 1941-1942, the Lipizzans were exiled for the last time.

Mos of those in stables at Piber were evacuated to Hostau in Bohemia. But they undoubtedly owed their survival to two American army officers who, on April 28, 1945, brought them back by train to their Piber stables, which were in the allied occupation zone of Austria. This stable claims today that it is the only real heir of the pure race of Lipizza horses.



LAST BOW: Maestro Eugene Ormandy takes a bow after conducting his last concert as music director of the Philadelphia Orchestra at Saratoga Springs, New York, last week. Ormandy, 81, has been conducting the orchestra for 44 years.

Tourists find skeletons on beach

ROSCOFF, France, Aug. 27 (AP) — Holidaymakers on a beach on Batz Island, a small resort just outside this tiny fishing port, were horrified to discover five carefully buried skeletons in sandy graves. The skeletons were buried beside each other under 30 centimeters of sand with a flat stone on each skull.

Police said Wednesday they have initially identified the skeletons as four male and one female, between 15 and 20 years old, with no

signs of wounds.

They believe that they might be World War Two victims. Villagers on Batz Island said that so far as they know no local people were reported missing during or after the war.

Last Monday a group of holidaymakers walking on the little beach found the incoming tide was sweeping over a human skull. Police made a thorough search of the beach on Tuesday and uncovered the skeletons.

Industrial countries favored in sea law, Canadian says

GENEVA, Switzerland, Aug. 27 (API) — Canada warned Tuesday that what is emerging as the long-sought treaty governing use of the seas favors industrialized countries.

J. Alan Beasley, Canada's chief representative to the United Nations conference on the law of the sea, told delegates in public debate that "I hope we don't find that we've produced a treaty that results in the 'have' countries becoming 'have-more' countries and the 'have-not' countries becoming 'have-less' countries."

He noted that attempts in 1958 and 1960

Grizzlies home in on trash

JASPER, Canada, Aug. 27 (AP) — Grizzly bears love garbage. Once acquainted, they are addicted. And if you take a bear far away from its daily repast in the trash can, it will find the way back.

Scientists confirmed the odd tastes — and the ferocious temper — of *Ursus horribilis* in a four-year study at Jasper National Park in Canada's Rocky Mountains.

Norm Woody and Gord Anderson, park wardens, Dick Russel, biologist with the Canadian Wildlife Service, and Jack Nolan, his assistant, captured and sedated 18 grizzlies. Woody said they weighed the bears, measured their molars and fitted them with radio collars for tracking.

Ranging across 1,625 square kilometers in the park's southeast corner, the four studied the seasonal roaming ranges, daily movements, denning practices and feeding habits of the grizzly.

Once they have tasted garbage, bears find it impossible to break the habit," the report said. And once addicted, the ill-tempered bears become a danger to people who meet them at a garbage can.

to produce comprehensive and lasting sea law agreements failed "because they did not reflect adequately the positions of developing countries."

"I hope we don't make the same mistake again," Beasley told delegates who, after nearly five weeks of talks here, have, it is widely reported, come within one meeting of signing a comprehensive sea law treaty.

Talks are to adjourn Friday, perhaps with the publication of a further revision of the bulky negotiating text, the content of which is the emerging treaty.

As a result, Parks Canada began buying bear-proof containers and hauling garbage out of Banff National Park.

Woody once encountered a charging grizzly while on horseback patrol. A female bear, tending three cubs, scented Woody at 400 meters and ran towards him, ignoring his warning shots.

"There was no choice but to kill her at three meters," he said.

Team members kept an eye on the orphaned cubs. Though wary of humans, they learned to manage on their own. Two were learned to roam the area four years later.

Grizzlies, so named because of their silver-tipped brown fur, are 180 to 210 centimeters long when full grown, and weigh up to 340 kilos. Formerly ranging from the Arctic to Mexico, they are now found in wild regions of Alaska and the Rocky Mountains of Canada and the United States.

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Some observers see signs of a softening toward the West, including the United States, which started a modest \$2 million rural public health program earlier this year. The United States has also provided Burma with 25 helicopters and four fixed-wing aircraft to combat the traffic in narcotics.

"There are some people in government who would like to see closer ties with the West, especially the U.S.," one source said. "But there are a good many more, including Ne Win, who would prefer not to have close ties with anybody."

The consensus is that so long as Ne Win is on the scene, there will be no change.



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WORKERS WIN IN POLAND

The victory of the Polish workers against the Communist regime of that country might mark an important turning point in the history of the relations between the regimes of Eastern Europe, all of them imposed by the victorious Red Army at the end of the last war and their peoples.

The Polish government's step in recognizing and negotiating with the leaders of the striking workers is without precedence in the Eastern bloc. It constitutes an admission that the regime is not, as it claims, in the service of the workers, but that these have legitimate grievances against it. It is an admission of failure of the first magnitude: The "workers' state" is facing and trying to resolve difficulties with the workers.

The Polish government has gone beyond this. In addition to recognizing the striking workers, it dismissed five hardliners from the leadership, including the prime minister, replacing them with five moderates. It was the prime minister's decision last July to increase the price of meat in the shops which led to the present wave of strikes.

The workers in Poland have been in a state of unrest for a long time before that. The question of meat prices was only the last straw in a steadily worsening economic condition, in which the workers received from the government nothing but a series of empty promises.

The irony is that the government of the country's leader, Gierek, came to power ten years ago in the wake of a wave of strikes and demonstrations in the Baltic ports, with promises of improving the workers' economic lot. But the economic situation continued to deteriorate and the workers began to see clearly the link between this and the way in which the country's political and cultural life is run.

The main demands of the striking workers have gone beyond the mainly economic ones. The principle asserted most insistently by them is that of free trade unions, in place of the government unions. Together with this there is the demand for freedom of expression and release of all detained dissidents.

The government for its part promised to give the people more say in running the affairs of the country, itself a grave admission that this did not obtain in the past.

The question now is whether the government is sincere in its undertakings, or that it only had to yield under pressure, so that it will go back on its words once the situation calms down. But here only time will tell.

CONTINUING AGGRESSION

The Israeli plan to open a canal between the Mediterranean and the Dead Sea is a further instance of the continuing Zionist aggression against the Palestinians and their lands. The project will serve as a pretext for further confiscation of Arab land, especially in Gaza. It will also lead to the jeopardizing of Jordanian rights to the Dead Sea, destroy its potash works in the vicinity and pollute the underground water resources of the area.

The idea of the project goes back a long way — to around 1850 in fact, when a British traveler raised the possibility in the context of a "new route to India." But the opening of the Suez Canal soon afterward killed the idea. The Israelis have resurrected it once more, in the belief that the international situation is such that it will attract little opposition or even attention.

Other ideas of this type are on the drawing board. The most important among them is the project of carrying the waters of the Nile to the Negev desert. In addition to their obvious economic advantages to Israel, the Israelis think that they also give the country that reputation for "progressiveness" and technological flair which it has always sought in order to obscure its original crime: that of the destruction of Arab Palestine and of its unrelenting unjust war on the Palestinians ever since.

Observers have noticed how the tempo of such projects is accelerating under the cover of the ill-starred peace treaty which Egypt signed with the Israelis. But the real question is how the Arab world will counter such moves; and what steps it will take to hasten the burial of the already defunct "peace process" between Israel and Egypt, as a first step on the long road to the full restoration of Arab rights.

Mao's cotton-picking disaster

By Jonathan Mirsky

LONDON — For 20 years after Mao Tse-tung visited a cotton-growing commune and inspected one of its fields, the peasants doggedly planted cotton in the same plot, despite steeply falling yields, because "everyone was afraid of being charged with disloyalty to the leader and no one dared to plant crops other than cotton in those fields."

This revelation in a recent *People's Daily* is another shot in China's campaign for scientific farming, the base for all other aspects of modernization.

After Mao's 1958 tour, production at the cotton commune, Qiliying in Henan province, climbed impressively for a decade. Then from 1968 onward, the soil became steadily depleted by single-crop farming and harvests dwindled. frantic at the sight of the blighted fields of sainted memory, the peasants struggled to rescue their cotton, applying precious — and ineffective — insecticide to each sprout at ruinous cost.

Another newspaper, the *Guangming Daily*, attacks such superstitions, appealing for an end to "memorial inspection fields," together with the sealing up of commune houses where exalted party leaders once stayed.

Now the more alert cadres have initiated crop rotation and the commune has reported bumper yields, with the announcement: "It has been 20 years since Chairman Mao's inspection. The soil of the fields he inspected has changed ... if Chairman Mao were here he would agree with us. We can no longer afford to do such stupid things."

As the call goes out all over China for a technological and organizational transformation, the focus narrows on scandals and malpractices from well before the period of the Cultural Revolution and the Gang of Four. Some of the country's most hallowed "models" have been toppled, of which the celebrated Dazhai commune is only the most notorious.

In a recent editorial, the *People's Daily* maintains that by the late 1950s China's agriculture had lost

touch with modern practices. Later, during the Cultural Revolution, the paper says, "some people talked a lot of nonsense about relying on the 750 million" (the number of peasants in the whole country) not on "the 7,500" (the number of scientific agricultural workers)..."

This led to what the paper terms "an unheard-of calamity" in agricultural science.

Why, the *People's Daily* demands, is China still suffering shortages in daily necessities such as cotton, cooking oil, sugar, meat, and fish when Chinese workers have struggled so long and so hard? The answer, it claims, is scientific ignorance resulting in "natural punishments" such as parched fields, meager crops and flooding.

The paper concedes that most agricultural cadres know a good deal about traditional farming — although some lack even this awareness. But very few commune leaders have a professional grasp of modern techniques according to the paper, and these cadres will be "eliminated" in favor of the technologically adept who have been redefined by Vice-Premier Deng Xiaoping as politically sound "Reds" because they are "expert."

A related revelation of rural idiocy by the sort of cadre considered splendid until very recently continues the exposés of Xiyang county. There, the years of "diverting water from west to east" led to statistical falsification, financial boondoggling, the imposition of drought on neighboring counties, and the beating and killing of those who refused to collude.

Two of the newly rehabilitated Xiyang critics, who suffered years of humiliation, have now described how the leader of the county party committee calculated the height of a dam intended — impossibly, as it turned out — to contain 10 million cubic meters of water, "by taking measurements with his hand as he stood at the foot of a hill."

The same party had determined the dam's projected axis by placing a stone on the ground, and commanded a duel for the top of the new structure because it would be "impressive and beautiful." — (OFNS)

To Cuba on a pint of petrol

By Simon Winchester

WASHINGTON —

That old American custom, being hijacked to Cuba, is enjoying an unexpected revival. In one week this month, six Boeings were seized in mid-air and the pilots forced to change route for Havana. All the hijackers were men, all apparently Cubans, and all carrying either dummy weapons or plastic bottles allegedly filled with petrol.

The Cuban authorities met each aircraft as it landed, arrested the hijacker and allowed the Americans to take off with minimum delay.

"The Cubans are being very decent about all this," one passenger said when her plane landed at Miami, four hours late. "They didn't charge us landing fees or anything like that — and in the old days passengers had to pay into a kitty so they could get out of Cuba. These days the Cubans just take their man and let us get back to business."

The United States is embarrassed — partly, because the hijackers are making expensive airport security systems seem useless, partly because of the political implications. The government would like to come right out and identify those it thinks are involved — disaffected Cuban refugees who dislike the U.S. and want to go home — but it feels it risks damaging its image in Latin America by saying so.

Efforts to make sure there are no more hijackings are now making life difficult for travelers in the southern part of the country.

For the past 10 years all airports under direct control of the Federal Aviation Administration have been forced to install electronic monitoring and low-dose X-ray equipment to prevent any weapons getting into the passenger compartment of civil airliners. Notices at airports remind travelers that "hijacking is a federal offense punishable by death," and that "travelers may refuse to be searched and X-rayed, and the carrier will then refuse the passage."

With the exception of a small number of purists who object to X-radiation, most travelers in the U.S. have accepted this new form of surveillance. It has added to the cost of travel and the time spent at airports, but it had, until recently, cut the number of hijackings to almost zero.

In the last few months, though, technology seems to have swung back on to the criminal's side. Lead-lined bags, designed to protect film from X-rays, were found to make ideal hiding-places for knives and guns — they left only an indistinct blur on the X-ray scanning screen, meaning that security guards at airports would, if in a hurry, let the traveler on board without further checking.

And it was discovered that other weapons could be fashioned from apparently innocent substances, meaning that nothing less than the "frisking" of

every passenger would prevent the means of hijacking being taken on to aircraft.

It was the later that the "persons of apparent Latin-American origin," as the government chose to call them, used to divert the six Boeing 737s.

One man wrapped electrical wire around a block of soap and, once his Air Florida jet had reached cruising height, waved the "device" in front of a terrified stewardess and told her it was a bomb.

Other men threatened to sprinkle a liquid they said was petrol on the seats of their aircraft, and set it on fire. Some did, indeed, have a fuel in their plastic bottles, but one had water. The man who brandished a plastic water pistol also got his wish granted, and was last seen being carted off in a Havana police paddy-wagon.

Now, "sky marshals" — armed FAA bureaucrats who are "trained in law enforcement procedures" — are sitting, disguised as passengers, on flights from some selected cities — Tampa, Miami, Atlanta, Little Rock.

The FAA has also taken its "psychological profile watch" off the shelves, dusted it down and is busy using it at dozen southern airports. The system, discontinued once X-ray screening became universal, teaches airline officials to recognize some 10 "typical psychological profiles" of would-be hijackers, and subject anyone falling into the categories to extra screening.

The FAA refuses to say what a typical hijacker might be like — but a single Cuban male, aged between 23 and 35, with no checked luggage and buying a one-way ticket with cash, would fit into the profile being used. Three such men have already been detained at Tampa International Airport and have been found to have plastic bottles of petrol in their baggage.

One suggestion, made by the more cynically-minded, is that Fidel Castro saw to it that a number of trouble-makers were allowed to infiltrate the boat people fleeing to the U.S. earlier this summer, precisely so that problems like the hijacking would arise and cause embarrassment in Washington.

Others take a more reasonable attitude, and wonder if the American greeting to the refugees has been so grudging that many poor Cubans find their homeland, despite its repressive air, offers them a more dignified life.

Many of those regarded as "undesirable" in America are forced to live in a colony of army surplus tents under the Miami freeways. One can hardly be surprised that, for some, the American dream has turned sour.

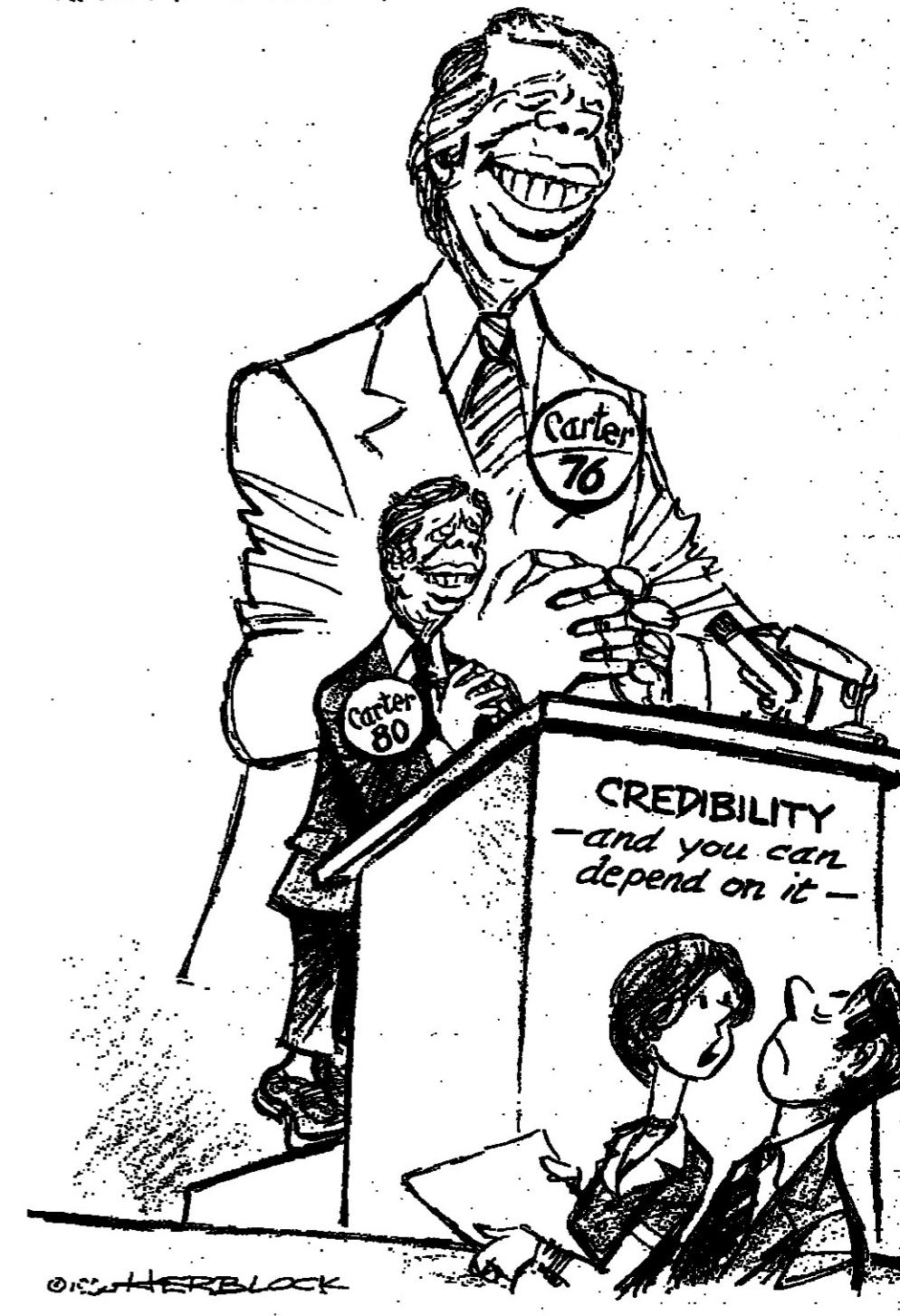
The U.S. government says if it finds this to be so, it will try to organize a return armada, free of charge. So far Castro has said he will not accept any of the runaways as Cuban citizens — they are America's problem now. — (OFNS)

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God and then on our solidarity. "It is only through solidarity, unity and coordination that we can be successful in regaining our rights and restoring the dignity and glory of the nation," the paper added.

Endorsing the views of the crown prince, *Olaya* said in an editorial that his speech reflected the responsibility that Saudi Arabia bears toward the crucial causes of the nation. The paper noted that when the Arabs demand the restoration of their

"HASN'T HE LOST WEIGHT OR SOMETHING?"



Spread of 'Polish disease' feared

By Sue Masterman & Anton Kone

Krakow, near the Czech border, the Prague regime, knowing of the close contact between Polish and Czech dissidents, fears Poland's protest might spread across the border.

VIENNA — Poland's increasing instability has created a wave of anxiety in all the Warsaw Pact countries. Each has a separate reason to fear the possible consequences. Poland is sandwiched between East Germany and Russia to the west and east, and the Baltic and Czechoslovakia to the north and south. Unlike Hungary and Czechoslovakia, it has no border with any Western country.

If Russia decided to intervene, the Poles would be trapped, and the Russians know that, unlike the Hungarians or Czechs, they would fight to the end to retain their minute freedoms.

IN EAST GERMANY, where 20 Russians divisions are stationed, big Warsaw Pact maneuvers are planned for the first half of September, giving troops from all other Warsaw Pact countries an excuse to cross Polish territory. Maneuvers which have not been officially announced are already taking place near the East German-Polish border near Szczecin, where the strike has spread.

*Psychologically titillating***Unending lure of the unsinkable Titanic**

(Formerly a clinical psychologist, Wyn Craig Wade is now a full-time writer and author of "The Titanic: End of a Dream," Rawson, Wade, 1979.)

By Wyn Craig Wade

NEW YORK, Aug. 27 — (Newsday) At the time of her maiden voyage, the *Titanic* was the largest moving object in the world, over 46,000 tons of luxury and technological ingenuity. She was dubbed "practically unsinkable" by marine engineers, and her accommodations rivaled those of Europe's finest hotels. Aboard her for that first trip were American millionaires and gilded-age

tycoons, artists and men of letters, aristocrats, sensible middle-class tourists and a steerage composed of emigrants from all parts of the globe.

Four days out of Southampton, England, and shortly before midnight on April 14, 1912, the *Titanic* sideswiped an iceberg which ripped a 300-foot gash in her starboard side. Two-and-a-half hours later she sank with the loss of 1,572 lives. It was history's greatest maritime disaster.

It stunned nations on both sides of the Atlantic and damaged the self-confidence of the English-speaking world, in which technological progress had become all important.

What is most remarkable, however, is the degree to which the *Titanic* disaster has ever since captivated the popular imagination.

Why this protracted obsession with an accident in an outmoded form of transportation that occurred seven decades ago, in which fewer lives were lost than in more recent wars? Why this compulsion to invest a fortune in a mission for photos of a crumpled, rusted hull which may prove immensely disappointing? Why has the *Titanic* held such a strange power over us?

For one thing, the saga of the RMS *Titanic* is enormously entertaining. A true story, it was irony, it has the irony, drama and stark horror that are seldom found even in the best of fiction. Moreover, the characters in the drama are so colorful and varied that every devotee has been able to find at least one person to identify with and thereby is able to put himself or herself aboard the doomed vessel and experience the disaster personally, albeit vicariously.

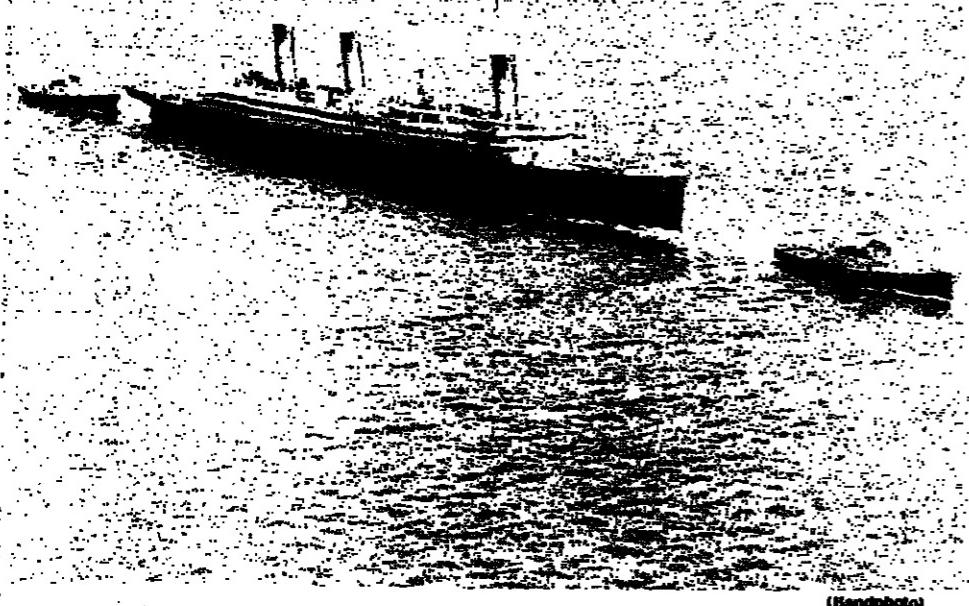
The *Titanic* has the additional appeal of high romance, not unlike the romance of the antebellum South and the fall of the Confederacy. Like the Old South, the *Titanic* is a romance of stability, grace, untrammeled luxury and noblesse oblige — all of which ends in chaos. In this respect, the *Titanic* gives us a clearer perspective on our own times.

Historians are now noting that many of the social changes they previously had thought were caused by World War I were actually present before it. We've begun to see the *Titanic* disaster as a more accurate point in time to mark the beginning of the end of the placid world the Victorians made and the start of the present tension, haste and uncertainty.

The *Titanic* disaster has always been psychologically titillating, especially as it relates to the experience of death. On board one's imagined *Titanic* of mind, the devotee may experience the archetypal horror of death: The sudden transformation of dream into nightmare, inescapable annihilation, and a watery grave 2,000 fathoms deep. One can even imagine going all the way to the bottom with the ship, body being compressed to jelly by the tremendous pressure of two tons to the square inch. Ordinarily, it isn't nice to indulge in such morbidity, but the *Titanic* somehow makes it all respectable — perhaps even therapeutic.

Finally, the *Titanic* disaster offers a warning that we have been reluctant to heed. The fate of the liner was — and still is — a powerful indictment of the degree to which we are willing to push technology beyond our capacity to control it, especially when profit is concerned.

It is a lesson as old as Frankenstein and as new as Three Mile Island. We are wondering more and more about the value of progress, if progress means such things as the neutron bomb and Love Canal. Perhaps the most entrenched myth of the West is the belief that technological progress will eventually solve our cultural, economic and spiritual problems — just as our great-grandparents believed in 1912 before the *Titanic* went down.



MAIDEN VOYAGE: In the film 'Raise the Titanic,' lifeboats guide the Titanic to its original destination: New York harbor. The old Greek liner *Athenia* is substituting for the unsinkable super ship.



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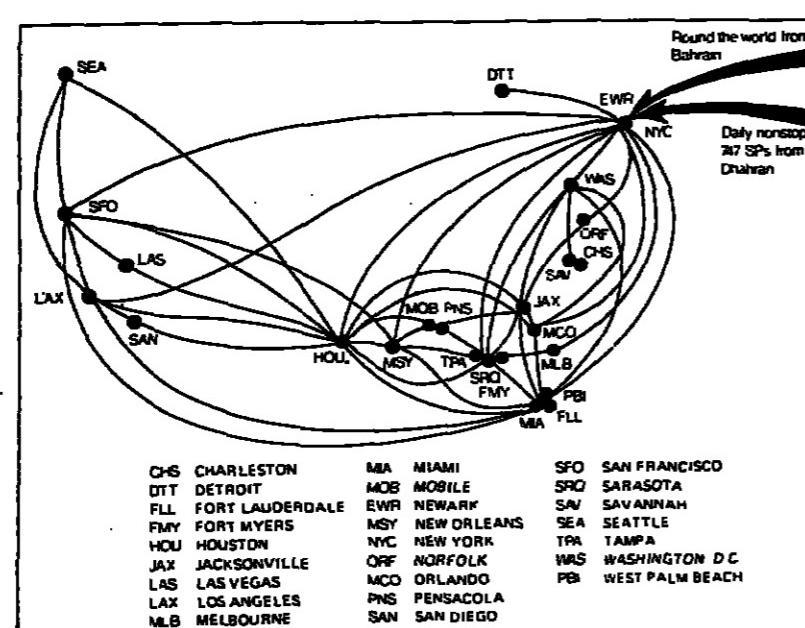
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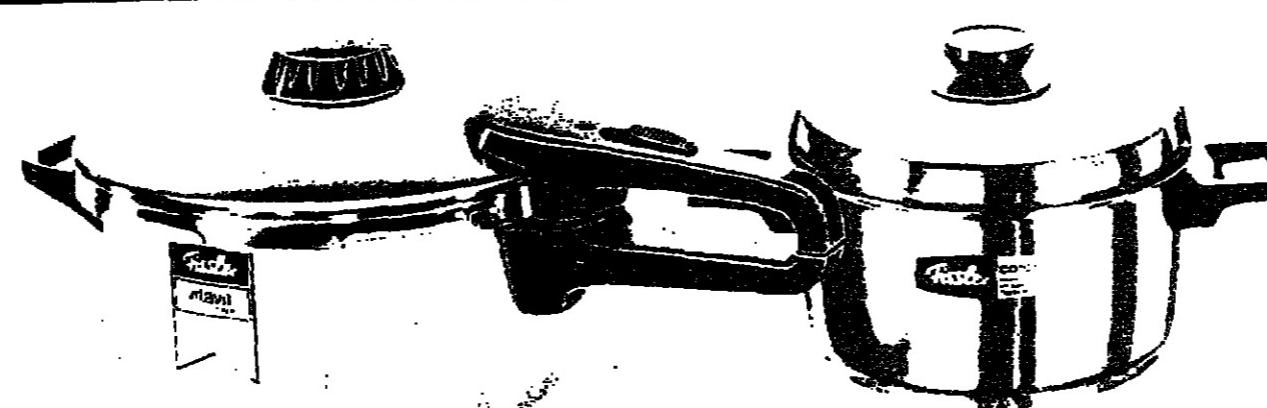
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Mechanisms ordering growth sought by California research



SUAVE: The ever-hip American actor Donald Sutherland plays a college prof. battling the establishment in his new film "Nothing Personal."

Japanese easy prey along Champs Elyses

PARIS, Aug. 27 (AFP) — The "world's most beautiful avenue," the Champs Elyses, is no longer safe for tourists — on average there is one burglary or theft there every two hours, with Japanese visitors the hardest hit victims.

Police said today that this year already have recorded 2,700 break-ins into shops and flats on the avenue and 2,500 physical attacks on passers-by.

Main crimes are stealing women's handbags or breaking into cars and taking everything that is removable. Police said that the most numerous victims are Japanese, who leave money, wallets, filled suitcases and cameras in unlocked cars. Presumably this kind of crime is unknown in Japan, a police officer said.

"We see a baby develop and we don't know how it happens," said Peter Bryant, director of the university's Development Biology Center and one of five full-time faculty members heading the research. "That's an enormous gap in our knowledge. If we understand it, the implication could be enormous."

Bryant said that knowing why a body forms the way it does could lead scientists to eliminate birth defects, and maybe even find a cure for cancer.

"We know when an embryo develops, all the cells do the right things in the right places," Bryant said. "All the organs develop in exactly the right spots. We don't understand it at all."

What they do understand, Bryant believes, is that the same mechanism dictating human growth also tells a cockroach or a salamander how to grow.

"We feel there is a basic principle in what is really a simple problem," Bryant said. "How does a cell know where it is? Somehow it does. Cells can recognize when they're in the wrong position and when they're in the right position."

"By understanding how that happens in small organisms, maybe we'll understand how it happens in humans."

Mostly, the scientists are looking at what can go wrong in the tiny creatures. They're studying mutations and creating abnormalities to learn more about what can go right.

"It's the abnormal things that teach us about normal development," Bryant said. "By rearranging things and getting the cells correspond to those arrangements, we can come up with a set of principles that will apply to normal development."

Researchers are performing surgery on their experimental creatures, taking out certain parts and rearranging others.

"What we've found out is that if you take cells from different places and bring them together in another place, they recognize that they are in the wrong neighborhood," Bryant said. "They form tissue in between so that in the final product, they've correct what was wrong."

Salamanders will grow a new leg to correct an imbalance and goldfish will add nerve fibers in their eyes to make sure their brains get the right signals. Sometimes, however, the process goes haywire. Flies end up with 17 legs instead of six and cockroaches regrow a missing leg in triplicate. Bryant said it is the study of those mutants that can have special meaning for cancer researchers.

"The growth of tissues is controlled by cell interactions and what structures are where," he said. "In normal organisms, you have exactly the right number of cells in every organ. In various forms of cancer, the growth control mechanisms go wrong. You get tumors."

Although humans have yet to regrow a limb, the study of regeneration in lower life forms can also have great impact, Bryant said.

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Bangladesh calls for world summit

Rich-poor discord persists

UNITED NATIONS, Aug. 27 (AP) — The U.N. General Assembly's special economic session Wednesday moved into its third day with no signs that developed and developing nations are narrowing their differences over forming a new international economic order.

The European Community countries Tuesday backed the United States proposal that negotiations be focused on specific issues, such as the energy crisis, while developing nations stuck to their demands that negotiations be comprehensive.

Four countries say the current economic order forces them to continue being exporters of cheap raw materials while having to import increasingly expensive finished products. They say the energy crisis is only one of their many problems, and want the talks to include reduction of tariff barriers and reform of monetary institutions.

While both sides argued on the scope of the assembly's agenda, President Ziaur Rahman of Bangladesh called for a world summit meeting if the current assembly's session fails to make progress toward correcting the imbalance between rich and poor countries.

"We must be honest with ourselves," he told the assembly. "If we feel that the problem is essentially a political one and that the far-reaching decisions that are required are



Ziaur Rahman
beyond the competence of the special session, then let us have a summit."

There were no immediate official reactions to Rahman's proposal.

Rahman called for creation of an international consortium "to develop the energy resources of the least developed countries."

He urged the industrialized world, including the Soviet bloc, to immediately double its aid to the poorest countries, such as Bangladesh, and "provide such assistance in the form of united grants."

The world's major oil producers in the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Coun-

tries (OPEC) he said, should cut their oil prices in half for the least developed countries, invest part of their petro-dollars in the weakest economies and "absorb the surplus manpower from these countries."

French Foreign Minister Jean Francois-Poncet told the assembly that "the international community cannot afford a new failure" in the North-South negotiations.

"The economic order instituted at the end of World War II is in disarray," he said. "It no longer functions satisfactorily, not only for those who today challenge its principles, but also for those — such as France — who originally designed it."

Poncet said it is not fair to blame the oil producing countries for all of the world's current economic ills. While the increase in oil prices has been excessive in terms of the amount and rate," he said, "it would be wrong to assume that this alone is responsible for the crisis. We for our part do not deny the effects of the lack monetary and budgetary policies of too many industrialized countries."

He said regional cooperation is one of the key elements to reach a better international economic order. "We would like to see intensified relations of every description between Europe, Africa and the Arab world, natural partners in a trilateral based on economic imperatives, cultural affinities and historical ties," he said.

EC jobless up by 7%

LUXEMBOURG, Aug. 27 (AP) — The number of jobless in the European Community (EC) rose by 437,100 or 7 per cent to 6,675,600 in July, the highest level since the EC was created 23 years ago, Eurostat reported here Tuesday. The EC's Statistics Office added the unemployed last month represented 6.1 per cent of the nine-nation workforce.

At the end of June there were 6.2 million jobless in the EC or 5.7 per cent of the workforce. As of July 1979 unemployment in the community was 5.4 per cent.

Between July of 1979 and last month, the United Kingdom, Denmark, the Netherlands and Ireland posted the largest rises in the number of jobless.

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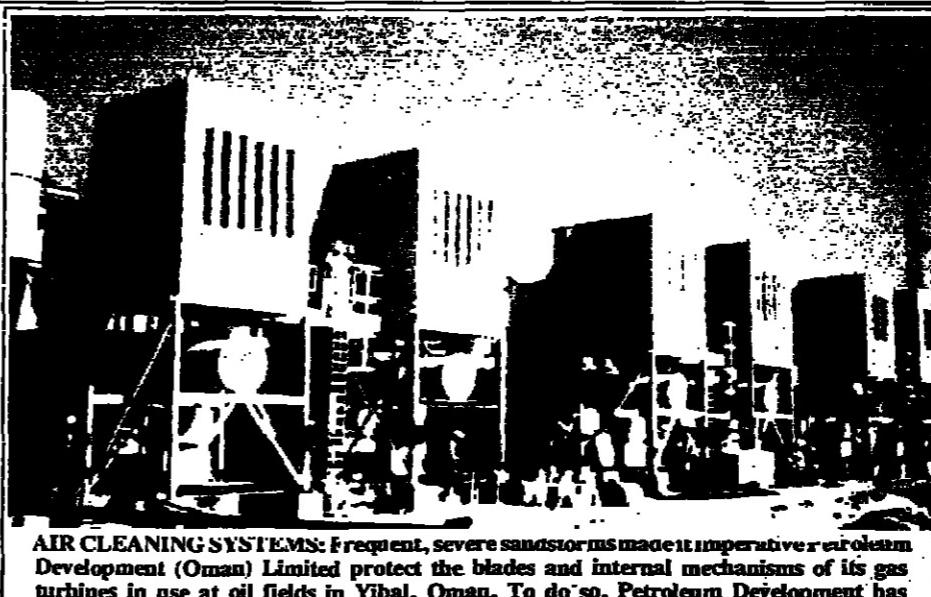
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U.S. again warns Japan over car exports 'threat'

TOKYO, Aug. 27 (R) — The United States Wednesday issued a new warning to Japan over the threat posed by its booming car exports to America's ailing motor industry.

The warning came at the same time as an announcement that Japanese motor production has reached a record of more than one million vehicles in a month, aided by active export sales.

U.S. Labor Secretary Ray Marshall, at a press conference here, warned Japanese car manufacturers not to take advantage of the recession hitting the U.S. car industry by increasing their exports to the United States. He said this could hit political ground as well in the United States which would hamper Japanese sales there.

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Wall Street report

Late trading brings prices down

NEW YORK, Aug. 27 — After trading in positive territory for most of the session, the market was hit with a spate of late selling that sent prices lower. A move by more members of the banking community to a higher prime rate renewed worries of inflation on the part of investors. Volume expanded from Monday's pace, with 41,940,000 shares changing hands.

At the close, the Dow Jones Industrial Average was off 2.82 to 953.41. Transports lost .88 to 323.73 and utilities were down .25 to 110.77. Losing issues outnumbered gainers, 804 to 686.

Technology and office equipment stocks which had been higher early in the day lost ground in late trading. At the close, Digital

Equipment was 88 down 1.3%, Honeywell 90

5 off 1.1%, IBM 66 4%, Sperry lost 7% to 55,

Xerox was 5% easier at 60 5%, Computervision was off 4% at 47 4%, Texas Instruments gained

1 1/2 to 127 1/2%, National Semiconductors added 2% to 40 1/2% and Motorola was up 1/2 to 60 1/2%.

Among the metals, Alcan was up 1/2 to 69 1/2, while Alcoa lost 7

to 32 1/2% and Kaiser was off a point at 24 1/2%.

Automotive stocks were mixed, with Ford up 1/2 to 45 1/2 and Dodge up 1/2 to 36 1/2.

Energy stocks were under pressure as the session closed. Atlantic Richfield was off 1 1/2 to 46 1/2, Standard of Indiana was down 1 1/2 to 59 1/2, Standard of Ohio lost 1/2 to 50 1/2, Exxon was unchanged at 71 1/2, and Gulf Oil lost 1/2 to 63 1/2.

Automotive stocks had been grouped with GM up 1/2 to 54 1/2, Ford added 1/2 to 27 1/2. In late cash trading in Toronto, gold was

up 100 to 100 1/2, silver was up 100 to 63 1/2.

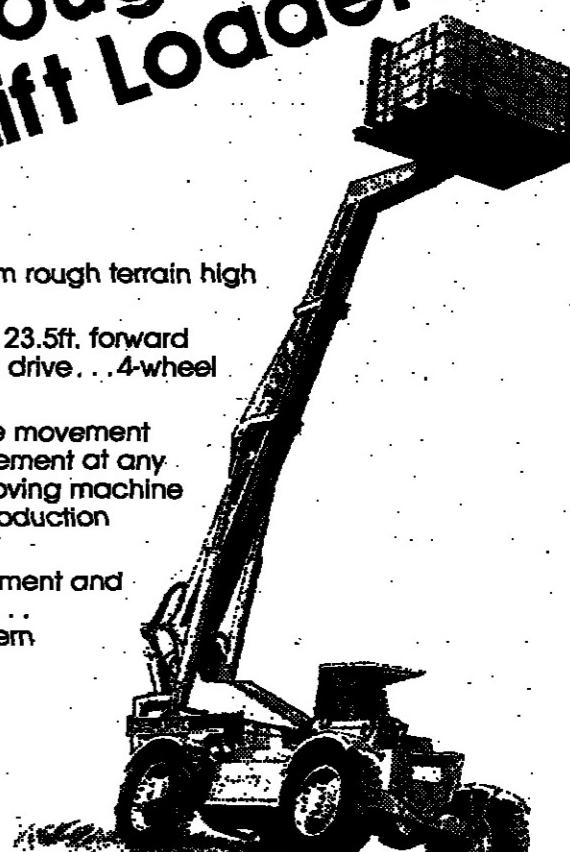
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Austin also wins in Open

Injuries don't slow Borg, McEnroe

NEW YORK, Aug. 27 (AP) — Bjorn Borg and John McEnroe, showing no ill effects from their recent leg injuries, posted straight-set victories Tuesday in the opening round of the \$654,082 U.S. Open tennis championships.

Borg, the top-seeded Swede who has won Wimbledon in each of the last five years but has never captured the American title, breezed past Guillermo Aubone of Argentina 6-1, 6-4, 6-1.

McEnroe, the fiesty 21-year-old left-hander who won the open last year and took Borg to five sets in their classic Wimbledon final in July, was extended just a bit more in beating Christopher Roger-Vasselin of France 6-3, 6-4, 6-1.

Both players had been forced to withdraw from the Canadian Open earlier this month, Borg pulling out of the final because of an inflammation in his right knee and McEnroe quitting in the second round because of a sprained right ankle. But neither looked any the worse for wear on Tuesday.

"My knee felt fine," said Borg, who needed only one hour, 21 minutes to beat the little-known Aubone. "After the tournament in Toronto I rested it for a few days, and since then it has not bothered me."

"I just hope that I play really well here, on top of my game," he added. "That's what I've never done in this tournament, and that's what I have to do to win."

A victory would give Borg three-fourths of tennis' Grand Slam, a feat that has been achieved by only two other men — Don Budge and Rod Laver. He's already won the French Open and Wimbledon, and would need the Australian Open in December to complete the slam.

McEnroe, seeded second behind Borg, played his usual aggressive game against Roger-Vasselin, racing to the net and then scoring with his punching volleys. He took control of the match early and was never in trouble.

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Borg spent the last four days practicing at the home of fifth-seeded Vilas Gerulaitis, who scored an easy 6-4, 6-3, 6-0 first-round victory over Vince Van Patten.

"I'm no doctor, but he looked like he was 100 per cent to me," Gerulaitis said of Borg. "He was running well and he didn't complain about the knee."

Gerulaitis, who lost to McEnroe in the finals here last year, was asked whether he thought he could go all the way this time.

"If I play well — and Borg gets knocked off

"I have a shot at it," he replied. "Although he's never played that well here, Borg is having his best year by far. Not too many guys can knock him off."

In women's play, it will take more than unusual conditions, a tight arm and the pressure of being the defending champion and No. 1 seed to get Tracy Austin upset.

Austin beat Anne Smith 6-2, 7-5 Tuesday night in the first round, then described the match as difficult and somewhat bizarre.

"Now that it's over, I'm glad it was tough," said Austin, at 17, the world's top women's players. "You have to get used to the planes flying over. I didn't realize how much you go by the sound of the ball. It's hard on judge how hard it's hit when you don't hear it."

Tracy took Wednesday off but one of her main challengers, second-seed Martina Navratilova, had an evening match with Lena Sandin of Sweden. The only other seeded women scheduled for Wednesday were No. 6

In other men's matches, fourth-seeded Guillermo Vilas of Argentina coasted to a 6-0, 6-1, 6-2 decision over Warren Maher of Australia. No. 9 Peter Fleming beat Billy Nealon, U.S., 6-4, 6-1, 3-6, 6-2. No. 11 Roscoe Tanner, U.S., defeated Ray Moore of South Africa 6-3, 6-1, and No. 14 Wojtek Fibak of Poland topped John Benson, U.S., 6-4, 6-6, 6-3, 6-4.

There were two upsets in women's play. seventh-seeded Green Stevens of South Africa bowing to Kate Latham 6-4, 7-5, and No. 15 Betty Sywe of the Netherlands losing to Anne Hobbs of Britain 6-4, 6-0.

Third-seeded Chris Evert Lloyd, meanwhile, romped to a 6-0, 6-0 victory over Kim Sands and said she's hungry to win her fifth open title.

"This year I have no pressure on me," said the 25-year-old Lloyd, who the open from 1975 through 1978 before being dethroned

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— Bjorn Borg

Dianne Fromholz of Australia, who also played under the lights, against Zina Garrison, and No. 10 Virginia Ruzici of Romania vs. Nina Bohm of Sweden.

Sussex blocks Middlesex crown bid

LONDON, Aug. 27 (AP) — South African Kepler Wessels hit a career best 254 for Sussex Tuesday, denying Middlesex the victory it needed to clinch the English county cricket championship.

The 22-year-old left-hander's innings included 29 fours and three sixes and helped Sussex reach 550 for nine declared in its second innings.

The match, played at Hove, was drawn. Middlesex now needs 10 points from its two remaining matches to make certain of winning the championship.

Wessels' score was the highest of the season. His previous best was 187. Surrey kept alive the championship race by



by Tracy Austin last year. She took a three-month hiatus from the sport last spring, and since then has lost just once — to Evonne Goolagong Cawley in the Wimbledon final.

Bottom-of-the-standing Hampshire scored its first championship win of the season by defeating Worcestershire by four wickets at Bournemouth. Opener Tim Tremlett scored an unbeaten 67.

David Gower, recalled to the England squad for the centenary test against Australia, hit 83 in Leicestershire's three-wicket victory over Northamptonshire at Grace road.

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Borg spent the last four days practicing at the home of fifth-seeded Vilas Gerulaitis, who scored an easy 6-4, 6-3, 6-0 first-round victory over Vince Van Patten.

"I'm no doctor, but he looked like he was 100 per cent to me," Gerulaitis said of Borg. "He was running well and he didn't complain about the knee."

Gerulaitis, who lost to McEnroe in the finals here last year, was asked whether he thought he could go all the way this time.

"If I play well — and Borg gets knocked off

"I just hope I play really well, be on top of my game. That's what I've never done in this tournament...."

— Bjorn Borg

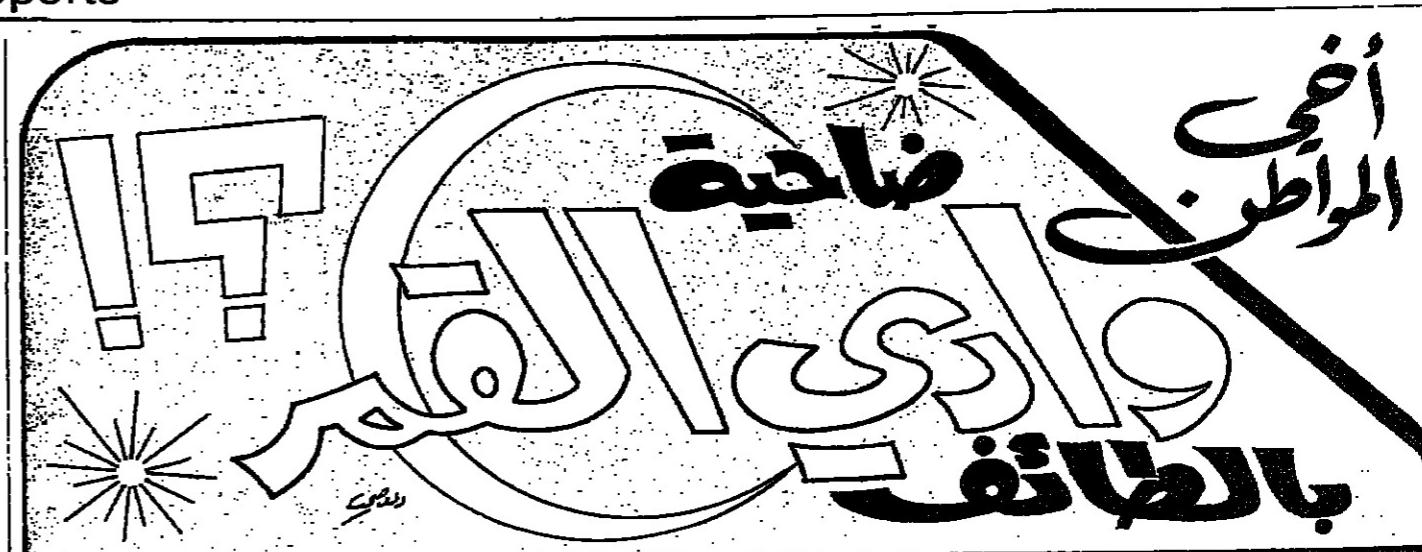
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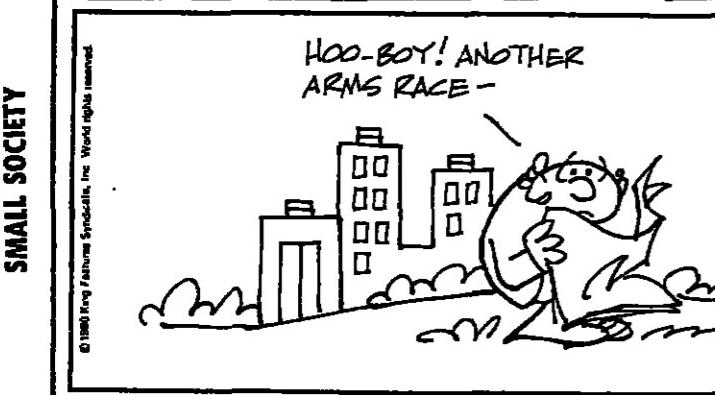
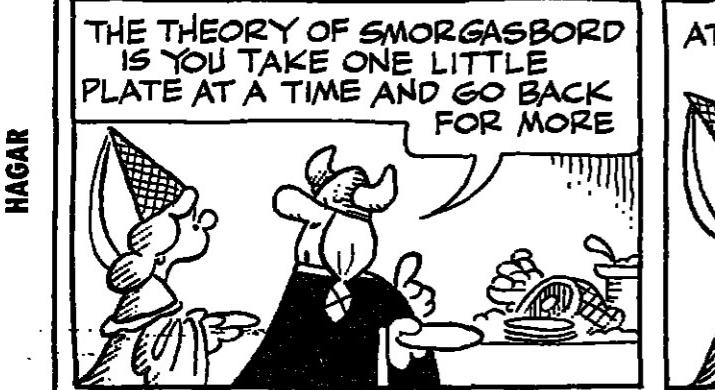
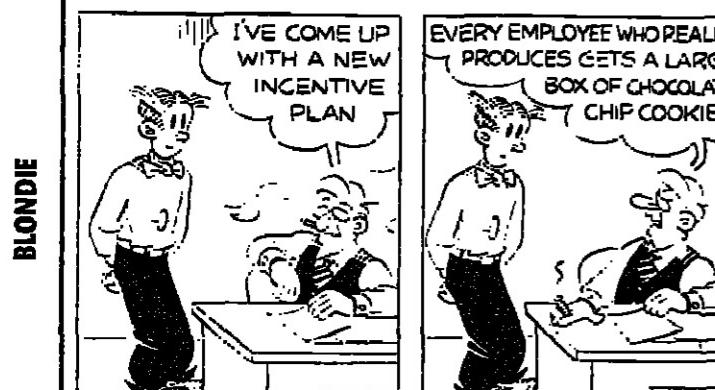
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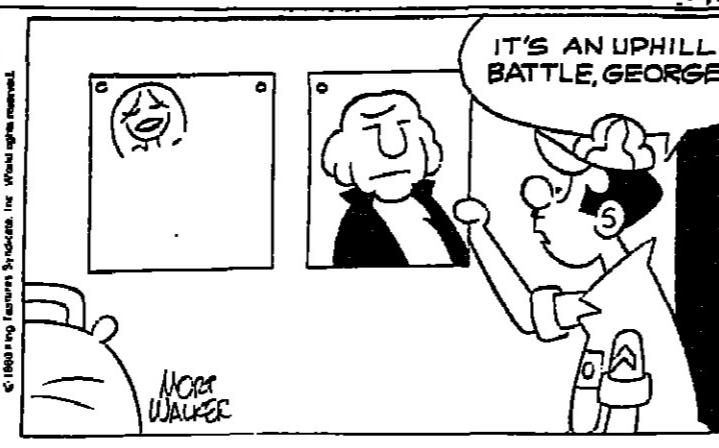
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Frances Drake

FOR THURSDAY, AUGUST 28, 1980



A friend could violate your trust. Watch credit card spending. Further thought needed on a financial transaction. Be alert.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22)

A close ally seems tongue-tied. Not the time to sound others out. Mixing business with pleasure produces complications.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21)

Constant interruptions could interfere with work progress. Someone you're fond of may not give the best advice. Don't be gullible.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)

A close tie's idiosyncrasies could get to you. Do nothing to arouse other's jealousy. Get sufficient rest, and stay out of the limelight.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)

Hidden factors affect the course of romance. Both friends and family could cause minor problems. You can't please everyone now.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22)

A co-worker could impose on your sympathies. Communications with higher-ups may be strained. Save your ideas for another time.

LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22)

You could receive unreliable advice about a financial matter. Take nothing for granted. Be more realistic about a romantic concern.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22)

Scrutinize documents and listen carefully. You could overlook an important detail. Avoid romantic office entanglements.

PISCES (Feb. 19 to Mar. 20)

Money questions could strain close relationships.

Others could promise more than they deliver. Watch arguments about love and sex.

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by THOMAS JOSEPH

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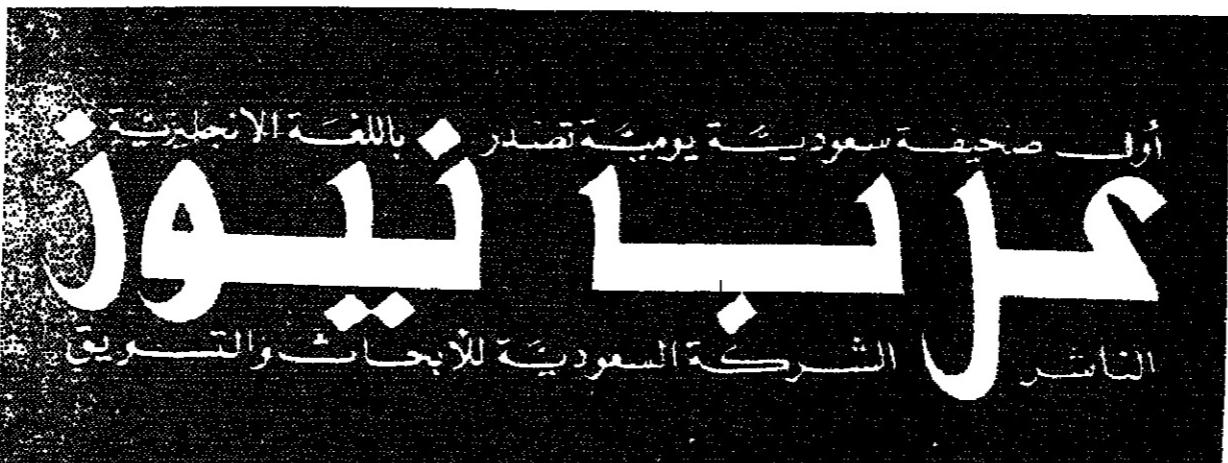
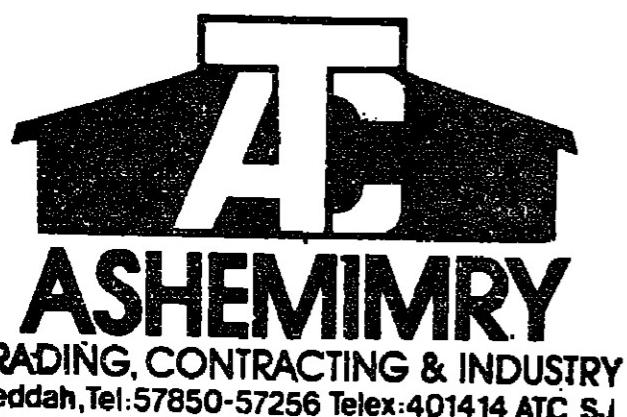
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International

Sever Kabul highway

Fighters seize Afghan city

NEW DELHI, Aug. 27 (AP) — Insurgent attacks and heavy Soviet troop movements reclosed the main highway from Kabul to Pakistan and the insurgents seized control of most of the important eastern city of Jalalabad last week, reports from Afghanistan said.

The highway, a link in the trans-Asian overland route from Europe to Southeast Asia via Pakistan's historic Khyber Pass was reopened earlier this month but closed last Wednesday, a Western diplomatic sources reported. It was still closed Monday this week, said a Kabul source that in the past has been accurate.

A Soviet armored convoy headed eastward from Kabul last Wednesday and part of it apparently returned Saturday, the Western diplomatic sources reported. Soviet military ambulances were seen entering Kabul on the same road starting Thursday and reports reached the capital of a big insurgent attack Wednesday and Thursday at the Jalalabad Airport.

A West German tourist traveling to Pakistan by auto was killed on the road five kilometers west of Jalalabad last Wednesday, the diplomatic source said. Various reports reaching Kabul said the German either was mistaken by the insurgents for a Russian or while stopping at a roadblock he was shot down by a helicopter gunship attacking the insurgents. Two companions reportedly continued toward Pakistan.

A Kabul source regarded as reliable said Soviet forces last Friday resumed bombing day and night shelling of villages along the main road north of Kabul as far as Charkur, 60 kilometers distant. The attacks were continuing three days later and some families reaching Kabul told of looting by Russian troops, the informant said.

Gold higher; dollar down in Europe

LONDON, Aug. 27 (AP) — The dollar slipped against almost all major European currencies in early trading Wednesday while gold prices opened slightly up on the overnight close.

In London, gold opened at \$632.50 an ounce, compared with \$631 Tuesday evening. The opening rate in Zurich, at \$631.50 was also \$1.50 higher.

The dollar continued the decline which marked Tuesday's trading, despite rising U.S. interest rates.

In London, the dollar eased against the British pound, which cost \$2.3821 Wednesday morning, compared with \$2.3780 at Tuesday's late rate.

The Irish pound, the punt, fell to 87.90 British pence Wednesday, its first drop below 88 pence since the traditional link between the two currencies was broken nearly 18 months ago.

The link was severed when Ireland joined the European Monetary System, linking the currencies of the European economic community, but Britain stayed out.

In Tokyo, where trading ends before it begins in Europe, the dollar slumped to a five-week low of 218.50 yen, but rallied to close at 220.50 yen, more than a yen down on Tuesday's closing price of 221.50 yen.

Dealers said the U.S. currency encountered strong selling pressure soon after the market opened, apparently reflecting the European decline.

Dr. Gaspar Garcia de Paredes, head of a team of Panamanian surgeons who had planned to operate on the Shah in March, made the disclosure at a local Rotary Club luncheon, during which he read excerpts of an article he plans to publish in the Panamanian Social Security Institute's medical review next January.

Garcia de Paredes said the agreement required that after Iran asked Panama for the Shah's extradition, President Aristides Rojo's administration would order the Shah

to deposit bail and he would be allowed to stay under house arrest in his Pacific island retreat of Contadora, while the lengthy extradition trial went on.

The understanding was that ... once this was done, the Iranians would transfer custody of the hostages from the students to a military hospital (in Tehran) that had been prepared for the purpose," Garcia de Paredes said.

"While the trial went on, the Shah would remain under house arrest and would not be able to leave the country."

Garcia de Paredes cited Panamanian jurist Juan Materno Vazquez as one of his sources for this information. A former supreme court chief justice, Materno Vazquez was Iran's legal representative when the revolutionary government of Ayatollah Khomeini formally asked Panama for the Shah's extradition.

Botha's moderates may anger right

PRETORIA, Aug. 27 (R) — South African Prime Minister Pieter Botha has signaled his determination to ignore right wing opposition and press ahead with reforms by announcing a cabinet reshuffle in which several moderates are given key posts.

Botha, who urged South Africans to "adapt or die" when he took office two years ago, also moved to lessen the influence of extreme right wing minister Andries Treurnicht, whose portfolio is switched from public works and tourism to state administration.

Seven newcomers to the cabinet include armed forces chief Gen. Magnus Malan, ambassador to Britain Dawie De Villiers and Dr. Gerrit Viljoen, administrator-general in the disputed territory of South West Africa (Namibia). Viljoen, who will become education minister, said later that one of his highest priorities was the coordinated planning of the education of all population groups.

Malan will take over the defense ministry held by Botha for 14 years. Ambassador De Villiers, a former Springbok rugby captain who is considered a rising star after his handling of relations with Britain, will become minister of industries, commerce and tourism.

Commentators from both ends of South Africa's white political spectrum agreed Wednesday that the reshuffle would mean greater personal rule by Botha. The normally pro-government newspaper *The Citizen* commented: "What happens now is very much what he wants it to be."

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Good Morning

By Jihad Khazen

The old story used to go: The Americans announce an invention. The Russians stir it off as old hat. They already invented it, and more than twenty years ago. The Japanese copy the design and flood the market with it at half price.

I remembered the story as I read news of the Japanese starting to market a "vision-phone" (or whatever you might call a phone in which the speakers can see as well hear each other. The Americans had already designed such a gadget, but discontinued work on it as unmarketable.

The introduction of such novelty, I am sure, will revolutionize the etiquette of phone conversations. You cannot answer your phone unless you are properly dressed. Which means no lounging about at home without full office dress; it's tie and suit, or DISHASHE and ghote until bed-time. You never know, someone might phone.

Also, once in bed, you will have the problem of deciding whether to appear on the phone in all your bedtime glory, or simply to bring the covers up to your eyes and answering with all due modesty.

One advantage of such a machine might be — but just might — discourage those insensitive friends who phone without regard to the time difference between you and them and then ask with concern: "Have I woken you up?" Now they can see that indeed they have, and your countenance will tell them immediately what your polite tongue wouldn't utter: namely, what you think exactly of their rude interruption of your sleep. On the other hand, it isn't really in the nature of such people to care. In fact, your puffed inflamed eyes would only cause more merriment at your expense.

A further thought on the new machine however made me realize that it will not really make much difference. Most people already behave as though such machines are in use. Haven't you seen the pertty official who stands up and corrects his tie when the phone announces his boss on the other end, or those who gesture with their hands and make facial signs as they talk on the phone.

One type of the new invention will harm is the man who phones his wife to say that he is in the office, dear, and that the work load is just unbelievable. He can't say that now. The lady will immediately see what work load he is dealing with.

Translated from *Asharq Al Awsat*

France smashes traveler blockade

PARIS, Aug. 27 (Agencies) — The navy smashed a fisherman's blockade at France's largest oil port early Wednesday using powerful water cannon, teargas and percussion grenades to drive trawlers from Fos-Sur-Mer near Marseilles, eyewitnesses said.

The breaking of the blockade at Fos followed similar naval action at France's second-largest oil port, Le Havre-Antifer on the channel, several hours earlier.

Witnesses said four fishermen were slightly injured during the skirmish at Fos, which they described as brief but intense, shortly after midnight. It was the third time the navy has intervened at Fos to ensure free access for tankers since fishermen started blockading ports more than two weeks ago.

Most of France's 25,000 fishermen are involved in the blockade set off by demands for higher government subsidies on fuel and protests against plans to reduce trawler crews.

Meanwhile, truck drivers blocked all access roads to the Boulogne hovercraft port, one of the few remaining cross-channel links. The drivers said their action, which started Tuesday evening, was to protest against problems the blockades have caused them.

Boulogne hovercraft flights were being diverted to Calais, a port spokesman said Wednesday morning.

The socialist mayor of Boulogne said in an interview broadcast on French radio that the strike could be settled in five minutes and made an urgent appeal for government intervention.

"I am in an untenable situation in Boulogne," said Guy Lengagne. "Measures have to be taken today to settle the crisis."

He said the measures announced Tuesday night by transportation Minister Joel Le Theule aimed at aiding fishermen who own their own boats would not help because they came too late and affected only one sector of the industry.

Le Theule's proposals included increases in certain fish prices, making loans available for more fishermen and tighter enforcement of rules involving imported fish. But the fishermen are demanding increased subsidies for trawler fuel. So far the government has refused to consider this.

Negotiations between the fishermen and the government so far all have ended in deadlock. Talks broke down again Monday when the representative of the Communist-led union, the General Confederation of Labor, walked out.



Ayatollah Beheshti

Iran, Panama made deal on Shah

PANAMA CITY, Panama, Aug. 27 (AP) — American, Iranian and Panamanian officials secretly agreed to transfer custody of the U.S. hostages in Tehran to a military hospital there if Panama placed the ailing former Shah under house arrest, a doctor who attended the late monarch has claimed.

Dr. Gaspar Garcia de Paredes, head of a team of Panamanian surgeons who had planned to operate on the Shah in March, made the disclosure at a local Rotary Club luncheon, during which he read excerpts of an article he plans to publish in the Panamanian Social Security Institute's medical review next January.

Garcia de Paredes said the agreement required that after Iran asked Panama for the Shah's extradition, President Aristides Rojo's administration would order the Shah

to deposit bail and he would be allowed to stay under house arrest in his Pacific island retreat of Contadora, while the lengthy extradition trial went on.

The understanding was that ... once this was done, the Iranians would transfer custody of the hostages from the students to a military hospital (in Tehran) that had been prepared for the purpose," Garcia de Paredes said.

"While the trial went on, the Shah would remain under house arrest and would not be able to leave the country."

Garcia de Paredes cited Panamanian jurist Juan Materno Vazquez as one of his sources for this information. A former supreme court chief justice, Materno Vazquez was Iran's legal representative when the revolutionary government of Ayatollah Khomeini formally asked Panama for the Shah's extradition.

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